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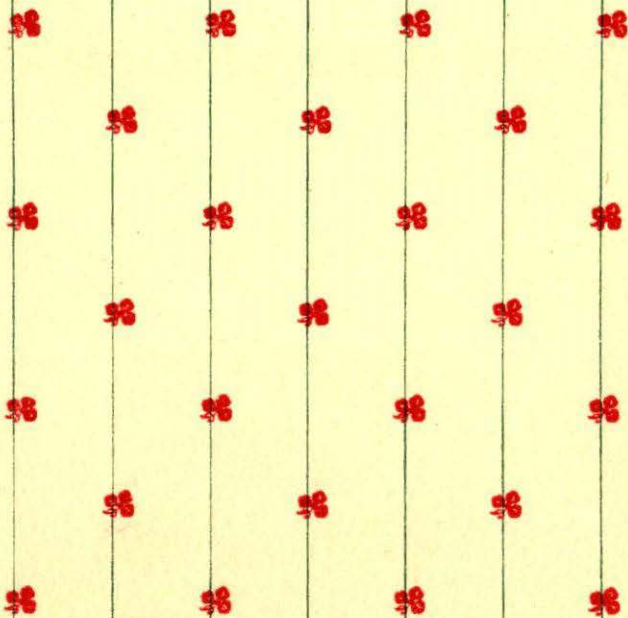
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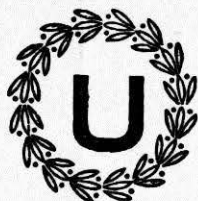
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EDITORIALS.

Dr. Harvey is substituting for Miss
Smith during her absence.

Still adding new students to the
roll and some are not due yet.

Mr. Wilkinson was a most welcome
visitor at Chapel April the 14th.

The strike on the Camden Interstate
railway remains unsettled still as we
go to press.

Editor Hicks, of the Putnam Re-
publican was a very pleasant caller
at the office, lately.

Supt. Layton of the Gallipolis
schools and Principal Bean of the city
high school were pleasant callers
lately.

New houses are springing up all
over the city. It looks now like the
city will have an excellent building
summer.

Huntington is figuring on a pottery
plant that will add about \$30,000 per
month to our circulating medium and
bring about 2,000 new people to our
city.

The college band has made very
decided progress under the present
capable leader, Mr. Carlton. They
now do some decidedly creditable
work

Few cities in the United States offer
better opportunities to young men for
investing a little money in real es-
tate than Huntington, for few have
brighter prospects before them in the
immediate future.

The city water company has laid a
water line out 16th street to the brick
plant. This line passes by the Hol-
derby Addition which was opened

last spring and in which several of the Marshal College faculty bought lots. The water conveniences will add materially to the price of the lots.

Huntington business men are figuring with a company with a view to having them locate here, which will mean much to our city. The company wants 100 acres of land and will employ about 600 hands.

At this writing it looks like it would be either Roosevelt or Parker. The result, with such men at the helm, cannot well be attended with consequences other than for the good of business and the substantial people in general.

Things to be desired— some spring weather, a new handsome building between us and the big stable to our S. W., a campus fence, the street car strike brought to an end, the expulsion of grippe from the land, a music hall, more room of all kinds.

The student, or students who persist in taking hats, books &c., which do not belong to them may have a sad awakening soon if the habit is not cured. There is a large committee on their track, all unobserved and unknown, and the guilty may expect no mercy when they are found out, for we certainly shall summarily expel them.

Miss Emma Potts, class of '98 Marshall College, class of '04 U. of W. Va., where she takes her A. B. degree, is the second of our graduates to continue their studies after leaving us till they made their A. B. and then return to a position on the faculty of their first alma mater. Miss Potts was elected to meet the increased demands of our spring term, and she is

to be congratulated on this handsome recognition of her worth.

The lecture by Spillman Riggs on the evening of the 15th was a success. He was one of the few attractions who was better than was expected.

Especially was the statement that one's character is pretty well known by the songs he or she sings true, and, to more than one who heard it, a lesson over which we trust they may seriously reflect.

The order and attention at the closing exercises of the Proctorville High School was the best we have ever witnessed, and we have attended a large number of such exercises. It was a sincere pleasure to talk to such an audience. The class, too, was unusually large for a town of only a few hundred people; it consisted of 6 young ladies and! one young gentleman, all promising looking young people. Supt. Duzann is to be sincerely congratulated on such a pleasant and auspicious closing of his first year at that place.

The eulogy of Senator Foraker delivered recently in the senate on his former colleague, Senator Hanna, was unique in its line. It occurred to us as worthy of the speaker, for it seemed the soul of frankness, kindness, and well-meant effort to do that measure of honor to the deceased to which he believed him entitled, shorn of all fulsomeness. Whether Mr. Foraker's estimate was correct it is ours neither to know nor to judge, but it was worthy of the speaker because it seemed a manly expression of a strong man's opinion on an extremely delicate occasion.

When a young man's disregard for his fellow-men has reached that point

at which he can, "for fun," place a dangerous drug in the food of his fellow-students at the club, it is about time to give him a big dose of "Expulsion." We are very glad that our young men have such a high sense of honor that they have surrounded this school with solid defense in the form of that kind of wholesome sentiment which draws the line against all young men, and all forms of having fun, who and which disregard the feelings of comfort and the manly consideration that students should entertain for every lady and gentleman connected with the institution.

Keep up the work of the literary societies, keep it up to the highest possible standard of efficiency and originality, and to the white heat degree of enthusiasm. Whatever else must suffer, let not one whit of interest or energy be taken from these organizations, also the Y. W. C. A. and the Young Men's Bible Class. All these organizations appeal to the very best there is in our young people, and they deserve unstinted support. These are character-building centers in the school, refining fires for the elimination of much that is gross, and much that becomes very valuable by the training received in these four centers of inspiration for our young people.

What a fine thing it would be if we could have every good boy and girl in school now, so arrange their affairs that they could be with us all next year. Will not every one who is anxious to educate himself and herself put themselves to the task of looking out for the ways and means to keep them here all next year. Of the entire number in attendance now there are at least 375 whom we should especially be glad to see here on the opening day next September. Every

class could be reorganized in regular order if this were so, every lesson taken up just where we left off, athletics, literary societies, all school functions, all school duties, and all school pleasures could be resumed just where we leave off this spring and one would scarcely know there had been a vacation except for the fact that one would feel thoroughly rested. Young people, will you please begin to figure on these matters at once?

It is rumored that the merchants of the city have begun to look with disfavor on the annual outing to Cincinnati arranged for children of the public schools, by Supt. Cole, now for two years, in which outings Marshall College students liberally shared. The reason is evident, and we are very sorry that there is a conflict of interests in the matter, for these outings meant very much educationally to school children. It is hoped that a compromise may be reached by limiting the outing privilege to those pupils and students who need no more protection and care than can easily be exercised by teachers, thus leaving the professional shoppers "Zu Hause." In other words, limit the excursion privilege to bona fide pupils and students of this and adjoining towns who are old enough to take care of themselves, except the attention required in the way of a teacher to chaperon them in sections. By this arrangement mothers, aunts and uncles, and sisters, and brothers, and sweethearts, and friends, who are not regular attendants at school, can be declared *Personen non erlaubte*. But this is no affair of ours. The merchants of Huntington have, or many of them have, been very kind to such of our boys as needed a little work to help them through school and we shall urge no proposition that serious-

ly conflicts with their interests. Later: It is reported that the merchants have agreed to offer no objections to the outing this year.



Gretta Gorrell, sister of Ralph, entered school April 25. It would be to the decided benefit of every young man in school, who has a proper appreciation of a sister, if he had one or more sisters in school with him; and it would be to the equally decided advantage of every young lady in school if she had a brother here with her who is truly a brother in looking after the comforts and welfare of a sister. The duties of a brother toward a sister when away at school are such that, if he be half a gentleman, these duties bring out of him the very noblest there is in him. But while most of our young men are fully solicitous for the welfare and comforts of their sisters who are here, some of them, to the best of our observation, have never taken them out to a single public exercise, whether social, school or church. It is all very well and very beautiful to escort another than a sister to public exercises, if the lady be the right kind of one for a gentleman to accompany in public (by this we mean whether she is sufficiently refined and and cultivated to make herself a credit to the occasion) but nothing reflects more credit upon a young gentleman, or puts him in a better light with the best people of the world, than to sacrifice some of the pleasures that are his and his sweetheart's now and then in favor of a sister or mother. Any worthy young woman admires all the more a young man who will do this, because there is no better proof of the prospective kindness and consideration for a wife on the part of a young man than his attention to his mother and sisters.

The following are the new students enrolled to date, April 23, for the Spring term:

Adams, Alderson, Asbury O. K., Asbury B. F., Arbogast, Arbuckle Frances, Arbuckle Rhoda, Abbott, Anderson, Aten, Board Laure, Board O. S., Boon Kate, Boon Fred, Brandt, Brumfield, Bledsoe, Broadwater, Booth, Bechtle, Blake, Brackman, Beckner Cullen, Campbell Pearle, Campbell Anna, Campbell L. C., Chancey, Carpenter, Clark, Craig, Chambers, Crockett, Callison, Cobb, Coffman, Cokeley May, Cokeley Lawrence, Collins, Eskew, Dudley, Denny, Daubenspeck H. R., Daubenspeck A. E., Deitz, Dickens, Erwin, Edwards, Erskine Nela, Erskine Lucy, Erskine O. T., Ferrel, Fink, Fagan, Fisher Hattie, Fisher E. E., Foley, Gorrell, Gillispie, Gray, Goodpasture, Gwinn Amy, Gwinn Virginia, Goff, Hatfield Dixie, Hatfield N. R., Hutchinson, Humphreys, Halstead Lanie, Halstead E. C., Hill Carrie, Handy, Hanger, Hamilton, Hill Dote, Hicks, Holton, Hall, Janes, Johnston Ollie, Johnston, Donald, Johnston O. M., Kuhn, Koontz, Long, Larew Anna, Larew Genevieve, Light, Leftwich, Lilly, Martin, Murray, Marshall, Marsh, Meadows Manerva, Meadows Maude, Miller C. C., Miller Jessie, McComas, McKinney, McFerrin, McCoy, McClung W. A. McClung Magee, Cecil, McClung, Estella, McClung C. W., Nelson, Owens, Oates, Phillips J. W., Pierpoint, Pine Lida, Pine Rebecca, Parker, Poteet, Riffe, Riggs, Rodes Spangler, Shirley, Schoonover, Sweeney, Smith W. A., Smith M. B., Smith E. J., Tomkies, Thomas, Thompson West, Welker, Husk.

Mason leads the list of new ones with 17, Fayette stands second with 14, Cabell and Putnam and Monroe tie with 11 each, Greenbrier 9, (first time Monroe has led Greenbrier), Summers 8, Nichols 7, and the rest are distributed among Boone, Clay,

Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Mercer, Mingo, Pleasants, Roane, Raleigh, Ritchie, Tyler, Wetzell, Tucker, Wayne, Monongalia, Wood and Doddridge.



So Father John Bull is led to believe, after some careful inspection of American character and American social sentiment, that American men are growing effeminate, do not possess that "stand up and punch and be punched" quality which characterizes the English and German college boy and the average youth whether in or out of college. Well, so far as the history of American college life shows, our young men are just as willing to "stand up and punch" as they were one hundred and thirty years ago—quite a bit more so if the signs of the strenuous times count for aught—and, if our memory as a nation serves us correctly, some right vigorous youth in the persons of Washington, Gage, Arnold, Green, and scores of others of like rank, to say naught of thousands of the boys in line, had the "stand up and punch" quality developed to the entire satisfaction of a certain George who was so egotistic as to write his title with three "I's," and the boys he sent over to "punch" with us—Burgoyne, Howe, and Cornwallis—for example. We believe a section of the history of England dating about the years 1812 to 1815 would lead the careful English reader to note that this "stand up and punch" nature of the average American was still strong enough to command about all the spare "punching" power at the command of our Punch brother across the Atlantic for three years of practice. Again, where, in the history of the world, has this "stand up and punch" character exhibited itself so potently as during the years '61 to '65? And it seemed still alive in our boys about five

years ago, if those fighting chaps sent out to "punch" the proud Castilian, —Dewey, Schley, Sampson, Hobson, fighting Bob and many, many others for example—be any criterion. More: Unless the signs of the times fail of significance, one, Grover Cleveland, a rather more than feather-weight champion of the "stand up and punch" class, gave Father John a chance to "punch" a little with our boys about the year 1895-6 when the Bulls were disposed to jump on a little South American lad not yet full grown, and Grover, one of the larger boys, kindly but somewhat bluntly invited him to try his "punching" qualities on the vicarious brethren of the Venezuelan lad, who live in the United States. If we remember correctly Father John did not "sick" his punchers on then, but, on the contrary, has been trying to keep out of the "punching," mood with our boys ever since. And now, as for the "stand up and BE punched" quality of American youth and men, that, we confess, is not so well developed in us. True, we have to allow a little of it among ourselves now and then, but we draw the line at "being punched" against all others except our own pugnacious brethren, somehow being disinclined both by temperament and by training to submit to the less desirable side of the proposition, "being punched," as opposed to "punching." We are perfectly willing for Father John to have all the honor, skill and heroism that come with the "standing up and being punched," since his boys are more used to that than are we; we are perfectly willing to take the other side of the case; and if Mr. Bull is really doubtful about the virility of our men and boys, the disposition to preserve their pugnacious, self-defensive, masculine qualities, there is a more direct and decisive way to test this question than mere superficial

observation, though we should greatly deplore a resort to the final proof. The truth is, Father John can not quite harmonize the masculine qualities of our men with that equally admirable and essential one in the make-up of a true man—profound respect for womankind not only in our social relations with her, but in her ambition to develop the strongest and noblest qualities in her. We believe this to be in the interest of the strength, virility, and mental balance of our future generations, that it detracts in no way whatever from the masculine qualities of our sex, and that it makes for conjugal happiness of a higher order as well as for additional mental, moral, and physical vigor.

AS WE SEE IT

The experience which one gets in teaching school a few years in the common schools, graded schools, and high schools, is an exceedingly valuable asset in the make-up of a normal school teacher; indeed this preliminary training is almost indispensable to the normal teacher who would fully appreciate the duties of a normal school teacher or the obligations of a normal school to the public schools,—the schools for which they primarily exist. Only those who have had this experience can either sympathize with the vast majority of our normal school students, or enter properly into the spirit of student life in a normal school. It is for this reason that those teachers elected to the normal school faculties who have had experience in the country schools as teachers fall into line almost at once without friction anywhere or without loss of time.

Another very valuable asset to the normal school teacher is the experience of having been a student in a

normal school. It is for this reason that our first choice for a normal teacher is always, all things else being equal, one who has taught in a country school, a town or city school, also if possible, one who has graduated at a normal school, and afterward has graduated at some first class A. B. college or university. This does not mean that some of our normal school teachers who have never taught a day before entering the normals as members of the faculties do not become first class teachers; but it does mean that the experiences and training the public school teacher gets, also the normal student, would have saved these a very great amount of time and experiment at the expense of the normal student, had they had these experiences before entering the normal schools as members of the faculty. The normal graduate who has taught in the public schools and goes ahead and finishes his A. B. course after finishing his normal course would always have our first vote for a normal school position, all things else being equal, if we had a vote, and as it is he has our first recommendation. Let more of our normal graduates go on and finish their A. B. course, for normal school positions will certainly be filled very largely, hereafter, by such teachers.

Several young persons with very laudable ambitions are already filing applications with us for positions in the normal schools. To such we very kindly suggest the following:

1.—All applications for positions in the normal schools should be addressed either to Hon. Thos. C. Miller, Charleston, W. Va., or to Hon. W. M. Straus, Parkersburg, W. Va.

2.—So far as our own small influence in the way of recommendation for such places is concerned, we feel that the time has come when every member of the faculty of this school

should be an A. B. graduate of some high class college or university, and that no other should be eligible, unless it be a case of a good, strong, mature teacher of large experience, and one who, if not yet an A. B. graduate, would continue his or her work as student in summer sessions of the colleges till an A. B. degree was obtained. We have one such exception in view and would deem this one quite able to do work in our lower grades. This A. B. requirement is due to no fancy of degrees, but to our sincere belief that the normal school teacher should be one whose scholarship could not be questioned, and whose studies and training have been much more extensive than the course in a normal school requires, for the course is but a secondary guide as to what the attainments of the faculty should be. Efficiency, a constant strengthening of the normal schools, and the needs of our normal students, all these demand scholarship, character, and culture of as high order as can be gotten for the salaries paid.

HIER UND DA.

The W. Va. Educational Association meets this year, June 21-23 inclusive, at Morgantown. It is especially desired that there be a full and helpful meeting, and at present everything points to this.

The Ohio Valley Improvement Association will hold its next annual meeting in Huntington, October, '04.

Mr. Smith, a prominent teacher of Putnam county, formerly a student here, later a graduate, L. I. degree, from the Nashville Peabody Normal, was a very welcome visitor with us lately. It is a genuine pleasure to have such men visit us.

Mr. Duff, a student during our spring term, 1897, was a very welcome caller at College Hall, April 11.

We regret sincerely that Miss Smith's condition, as a result of the grippe, was such that she had to withdraw from school awhile.

The number of students in the various divisions of the several subjects of the course of study offered for the spring term are: History 212, Latin 100, Greek 10, German 25, French 25, English and American Literature 48, spelling 31, grammar (!) 259, rhetoric 64, practical arithmetic 150, mental arithmetic 72, algebra 163, geometry 45, trigonometry 25, physiology 72, civics 44, physical geography 59, political geography 50, botany 121, chemistry 40, geology 24, zoology 15, penmanship 37, bookkeeping 46.

There are eight classes in school with fewer than 10 in each class, sixteen classes with from 10 to 20 in each, fourteen with between 20 and 30 in each, fourteen with between 30 and 40 in each, eleven with between 40 and 50, three with between 50 and 60, two with 60 or more, Roman history "A," and review arithmetic. These do not include the choral class, art class, or any of the model school classes.

The ten largest classes in school are Review arithmetic, 61; Roman history "A," 60; physical geography, 59; grammar "6A," 55; arithmetic "3," 52; botany "B," 48; general history, 46; bookkeeping, 46; algebra "2," 45; civics, 44;

The city churches, which open their pews, their choirs, and their social functions to our student body with such a cordial spirit, are doing more

for education and for Marshall College than they perhaps have reckoned. Not all cities and towns are so cordial, not nearly so, as Huntington in this respect, and these things are becoming well known among the young people of the state. These, to say nothing of the excellent influence of church relations, are matters of the first importance to young people away from home at school:

—♦—
We appreciate heartily the spirit Principal Knutti is showing in the way of cultivating the spirit of cordiality among his student body toward Marshall. This was formerly the case in an exceptional degree and should always be so.

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Marshall's base ball team, like its foot ball team last fall, is composed, to a man, of regular Marshall students, all of whom carry full work. Let it always be so; if we go to defeat we must, let us go down under no false banner, but with the "green and the white" unsullied by imputations of uncollegelike affiliations with any one for the sake of victory, not only in athletics but in every department of life.

ATHLETICS.

The Athletic Committee has been enlarged until it is now composed of seven members of the faculty and a number of the students who take special interest in this department of our school exercises. As the Committee stands now it is composed of the following members: G. M. Ford, chairman, J. A. Fitzgerald, R. J. Largent, Miss Hackney, Miss Smith, Miss Orr and Miss Potts.

The committee has been organized and the work has been divided so that it may be carried on with much greater efficiency and much less fric-

tion between the various departments.

Miss Orr has been appointed chairman of the division of basket ball, assisted by the student committee, Miss Stevens and the captains of the two basket ball teams, Misses Riggs and Fling.

Mr. Fitzgerald has been appointed to the chairmanship of the base ball division and acts as manager of that organization. The student committee in this division has not been appointed yet, but Mr. Harper has been chosen captain of the first team and Mr. Grass captain of the second.

Misses Hackney, Potts and Hammond have been appointed to take charge of the division of tennis, assisted by the student committee, Buckner and VanBibber.

Miss Smith has been appointed to take charge of the division of golf.

Mr. Largent has charge of the croquet division, assisted by student committee, Parker, Hedrick, C. E., Graybeal, and Miss Bertha Rodas.

Messrs. Ford and Largent have charge of the division of "track athletics," assisted by the student committee, Furnell, George and Morris.

The chairmen of all student committees constitute the student committee to assist the regular athletic committee in the work of Field Day Athletics.

The officers of the Athletic Association are L. C. Shingleton, president, Paul Bennett, vice-president, M. D. Cook, secretary, Caldwell Riggs, treasurer, and Mr. Ford, an additional member.

With this careful subdivision of the work, and placed, as it is, under the supervision of the very best athletic talent in the school, everything points to a most interesting and successful term in athletics at Marshall College.

The south side of the campus is made interesting these afternoons by

the practice of the Eagles and the Amazons, also by the appearance on that side of the campus of tennis players.

EROSOPHIAN NOTES.

New members.

Three cheers for Harry Humphreys.

WANTED—A vice-president who can fill the chair—in reference to magnitude.

That they shall become members of his society, or promise it at least, before they leave home, is the requirement of Mr. Cullen for his Mason county friends. And yet there are worse things than society politics.

Owing to repairs being made in the hall a late session was held in the auditorium. Not being accustomed to quite so large a room, each one seemed to be afraid lest some one else might hear what he had to say.

"Now-a-days" the hall has that inviting air of cheerfulness which far surpasses the looks of barren, dirty, and worn walls. The paper has been put on, the old pictures removed, and yet we wonder how it happened. That the paper was selected with taste is evident. It is not of the flashy sort, but of the cool subdued shades harmonizing with the carpet and pleasing to the eye.

VIRGINIAN NOTES.

Already things are "warming up" and soon there will be the usual hurry and bustle that precedes the last week of school. Seniors and Juniors will be busy getting work up, the faculty will have their hands full as they usually do, the Inter-Society contestants will be giving the finishing touches to their works, and last but not least, about twenty-five Seniors will be wrestling with that terrible dragon commonly known as Physics,

and at the present outlook, unless something is done in the near future to change those W's on the report cards to 75's the Societies will be honored??? by the fact that there will a number of the present class of 1904 with them next year. How true the saying "It's an ill wind that blows no one good."

We Virginians wish to congratulate Mr. Humphreys, the successful orator from our sister society in the Inter-Normal Contest, and just how proud we will be when our own orator, A. H. Jordan, defeats him in the Inter-Society Contest we would find it difficult to express in words. If Mr. Jordan has any doubts as to the outcome of the contest he might well ask the aid of Hera, the Queen of the gods. Surely this is the time for her to wreak her vengeance on the Erosophian orator for his having applied that delicate adjective.

HALL NOTES.

On Monday evening in honor of the second time Marshall has won in the Inter-Normal Contest, the Hall was opened to the hero of the day and at six o'clock sharp Mr. Humphreys was met at the college steps with cheers of welcome from his many happy friends. The students from Greenbrier were waiting in the Hall to join him and all marched in joyous procession to the Dining Hall. A picture of fairy land met their gaze. The dining hall was well lighted and green blinds with white curtains draped prettily gave a fine effect to the whole.

Upon first entering the Hall their eyes were attracted by this; then second in point of time but not in importance was the table which had been prepared and decorated by the Greenbrier girls, in green and white, with a large bouquet of white flowers and green foliage in the center. The

chandelier directly over the table was also in green and white.

Miss Johnson, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Humphrey and sister, Misses Fleshman, Stephens, Coffman, Brandt, McFerrin, Wollard, Erwin, Mr. Graybeal, Mr. and Mrs. Meredith made up the party at the table of honor.

All enjoyed the supper and the open reception given later in the evening, to which all were cordially invited.

College colors, as well as college students, were in evidence and all reported a good time.

We sincerely wish that we may witness another day similar to this next year.

Miss Zelma Pierpoint is with us again and her many friends are indeed glad to have her back after an absence of several months.

We are very sorry Miss Smith is suffering with her ear again and hope she may soon be back with us in her work.

Mr. Stith visited his niece, Grace Rodgers, this week. The little basket ball "rebel" led him to the basket ball grounds the first thing and we were glad the grounds were well marked off so she could the more easily explain to him the game.

Mr. Corbly's little nieces, Inez Corbly, and Marguerite Shank, spent two or three days with us. They were such lady-like little girls. We extend to them a warm welcome should they happen to be in the city again.

Miss Claudia Williams is boarding with her sister, Mrs. Armstrong.

The two tennis courts are in excellent order since the new nets have come.

Miss Johnson was the faculty's representative at the contest at Hinton.

Mr. E. H. Smith, of Bluefield, was here recently to visit his sister, Miss Smith, of the faculty.

SENIOR QUERIES AND

SENIOR SORROWS.

D'ye pass in PHYSICS?

V'you "got" a dress maker yet?

Has the senior faculty committee waited on you?

Are you "up" on your literary society work?

Has the Hall committee called you to order yet?

Is your dress done?

Where am I to get my graduating suit; and shall it be a Prince Albert?

What are we to do with the odd girls on even occasions?

What new features is this class to introduce during commencement, or before?

D'ye like your pin?

What are we to do with our boys who care nothing for girls?

They work us to the last minute just because they can, (and we enjoy it.)

Is your contest performance ready?

Is your last seminary paper "off" yet?

Pity we can't all agree on all things.

What about the Junior banquet?

Who are our commencement speakers?

How do you like your invitations?

Is your senior dignity in your way?

Why can't we go a-maying? Because there's too much "must" on hands.

VERY SERIOUS AND VERY SAD.

The defeat of our boys in their first ball team for the season, however disappointing to the school, was wholly matter of insignificance compared with the awful cost the game carried with it to that enthusiastic and self-sacrificing young student Clifford Schoonover, of Clay county, who cheerfully contributed to the game by

throwing in the foul balls. While promptly attending to his duties young Schoonover had occasion to cross the B. & O. Ry. tracks, which are immediately behind the grand stand, and for some reason, the details of which we have not been able to gather at this writing, the boy was caught by a passing yard engine and his right leg from midway between the knee and ankle down to the front part of his foot was so horribly mangled that amputation at a point about 8 to 10 inches below the knee was necessary. He was taken to the city hospital by ambulance immediately after the dreadful accident, where the operation was performed by doctors Branderbury, Salter and Miller. During the examination of the wound previously to the operation Mr. Schoonover showed unusual coolness and bravery, but of course had to be put under the influence of opiates during the awful ordeal of amputation. After the operation we directed that he be placed in the Marshall College room where the best of attention might be given him, and at this writing, 30 hours after the accident, he is doing as well as could be expected. The terrible misfortune cast a gloom over the entire school, and, in a measure, over the entire city. Sorrow and sympathy were the expressions of hundreds as the sad news spread through the school and the city. It was the young man's first term here, and his bearing among his fellow-students, as well as his work in school, had won him the kindest friendship of all who knew him. The Parthenon extends its deepest sympathies, both to the young man and to his dear mother, his step-father, and others of his home and home circle in this sad experience, and earnestly hopes for a speedy recovery as far as recovery from so serious an accident is possible. It occurs to us more forcibly

each year that all city and town crossings to railroads should be depressed and the tracks fenced, as most European countries require. The question of as to what extent, if any, the railway company was liable in this case, will be taken up in due time and in due form. Meanwhile all profoundly hope for Mr. Schoonover's rapid improvement and that his serious misfortune may in no way modify his hopes of usefulness even though this privation may necessitate a change in the character of these hopes by requiring him to apply himself to new lines of effort.

Such sad experiences may change one's life work entirely, but they seldom detract from the manly worth of youth, and they always insure a larger measure of sympathy and assistance from the public in promoting the ambitions of the young and the old alike who have had to suffer the privations resulting from accident and disease.

ANOTHER GOLDEN MILESTONE.

"Marshall first, Shepherdstown second, Fairmont third, Athens fourth;" this was the telegram announcing the result of the Inter-Normal contest for the school year of 1903-'04. The decision of the three judges, Hon. J. R. Trotter, (ex-State Superintendent of Schools), President Telford of Lewisburg Seminary, and Mr. Miller a prominent citizen of Hinton, was unanimous on all four as to the rank given. Of course the news spread rapidly, scores of phones doing their part in reaching the boys in the various parts of the city, Sunday morning.

Quietly a committee composed of three prominently connected with the school repaired to Guyandotte four miles east of the city where the returning victor, actually sleeping on his laurels, was intercepted on no.13

as she halted at Guyandotte station Sunday evening, and escorted to the boarding place of Principal Steed (the same loyal alumnus who intercepted Mr. Lively on his victorious return last year), where he was ordered, not requested, to remain till no. 31 came through the next day. Considerate for and loyal to the wishes of the majority, Mr. H. cheerfully complied. The gong was dissected early Monday morning, so classes had to be called with the dinner bell; this was a hint on the part of the boys for a holiday. A compromise was easily struck, however, which stipulated that ten leaders should be excused at 8 a. m. to make ready for the reception, the rest were to meet in No. 8 to raise the financial wherewithal at 10:45, and at 11 all were to be excused to start for the train. Sixteen dollars and something over, was raised, a four-horse team, drawing a fine band wagon, elaborately decorated from ground to carriage top with the white and green, was provided for the College band, and a very fine and handsomely decorated carriage was provided for the hero of the day. These, the band in the front, the victor's carriage, occupied by Prof. Williamson (one of the committee who had the local contest in charge) behind, and about five hundred young men and women in line between, proceeded from the College gate down Third avenue keeping (?) step with the music of the band, and drew up in solid phalanx in front of the C. & O. station to receive the young man who had added new honors to his school. No sooner did No. 31 pull into the station than a committee of stalwart enthusiastic students boarded her and bore the modest Humphreys high above the heads of the throng to his seat of honor, and the place of honor was given him in the procession that returned down Ninth to Third and up

Third to the College gate. Mr. Humphreys was again borne upon the shoulders of the young men, this time from the gate to the auditorium where the big hall was nearly full of students, teachers and visitors. Here speeches had to be made by every one from the principal to the janitor, inclusive, who could be, found (and most of them were found, be assured) and by such others as happened to please the wishes of those "in charge". These exercises continued about one hour, when adjournment for dinner discontinued them till 8 p.m., when the celebration of the happy event closed with a delightful school social in the College parlors, library and in No. 8. Everything passed off without friction at any turn, and with a genuine College enthusiasm which cannot but make for better College spirit and higher standards of College oratory.

It was a memorable day for Harry C. Humphreys, and one that several hundred College boys and girls will recall with interest and pleasant memories for many a year to come. It was a day for the boys and the girls, and right royally did they take advantage of it. The college band was a new feature, which gave dignity and tone to the entire celebration.

We omitted to state above that the ladies of the College hall invited Mr. Humphreys to supper at 6 o'clock, at which one of the tables was given up to the Greenbrier students, and was beautifully decorated with flowers and the College colors.

AN ONLOOKER.

TIME TO CALL A HALT.

A habit, both coarse and dangerous, both hackneyed by use and evil in its effects upon all, in which very many public speakers and not a few writers indulge, usually the "ad cap-

tandem" class, of referring to unmarried ladies of somewhat mature years as "old maids," and making them the butt of coarse jokes and vulgar attempts at witticism, grate not only upon the feelings of those of whom they are said, but upon the sense of delicacy and refinement of every lady and gentleman, and carries coarseness of feeling and sentiment toward this class of ladies into the minds of childhood and youth which makes for a certain unconscious form of disrespect on the part of the male sex generally toward one who may conventionally, but with coarseness, be referred to as an "old maid." This class of women unfortunately grows in numbers from year to year for three reasons: First, because of the feeling the expression "old maid" has come to carry with it, a feeling akin to the contemptuous in many owing to the associations, as false as they are vulgar, that go with the expression and surround the one so spoken of. Second, because there is an increasing majority of births from year to year on the female side of the race, hence an increasing majority of young women over young men, thus making it necessary that many go husbandless. Third, the annually increasing number of young men who are fit neither morally nor educationally, nor, in thousands of cases, physically, (if physical decay tainted with moral turpitude be a bar to matrimony, and it is to any decent woman or one who has any regard for either her own or her offspring's physical cleanliness.) to assume the duties of husband or even to command the esteem, to say nothing of the love of woman, who would rather beg than marry those whom they cannot, at least, admire. Even since we were a very young man have we not been able to understand why any true man, any man with the simplest

regard for womankind, can be guilty of that grossly vulgar habit which finds fun or wit in any coarse reference to the sex—any class of it—of which his mother or his sister is a member. We are not ready to say that no gentleman is ever heard using the expression "old maid" or "school marm," but we are fully persuaded that no man with the training, the culture, and the refinement of a real gentleman will ever be heard using these in public for the sake of making fun for their audiences, and we doubt whether any man with even the instincts of a gentleman can hold any class of resectable men or women up to vulgar ridicule in public print or public address. It is sincerely to be hoped that no young man of Marshall College will ever lower the estimate of himself or of those to whom the coarse reference in terms quoted above is made, by identifying himself with any class of speakers or writers who are so barren of fun resources as to degrade themselves by vulgar allusions to nice women. "Malden lady" is at least a much more elegant and refined expression than "old maid," if it is hardly so logically exact, and it carries nothing of grossness of intention with its use. "School madam" or "lady teacher" carry dignity and refinement, while "schoolmam" or "schoolmarm" bear the earmarks of contempt for the one so addressed or referred to. Gentlemen speak of gentlemen, in public and in private, as gentlemen, and in terms that carry esteem and respect. Even the expression "old bachelor," coarse and vulgar though it be, carries nothing of that tone of contempt with it that the corresponding feminine thereof carries, (but bachelor is refined and should be used instead), and gentlemen are perfectly aware of the difference in the tone meant by the

use of the two expressions. Public speakers always use the masculine expression as a synonym for one that could marry if he would, while the feminine is used synonymously, however far fetched it may be, for one that would marry if she could. Can't gentlemen be as considerate in their public remarks for women as for men, and always speak of them in terms of equal respect and consideration with those used when referring to gentlemen?

ROMAN HISTORY—EXAMINATION PAPER.

"Rome was founded by two men named Romeless and Rimeleas. When they were small they stayed with their uncle he was there gardine he knew if he could get rid of them he would be air to the thrown so he threw them in the river but in sted of them drowing they were washed to the other side a good shepard found them and taking them to his house they were raised by a she wolf. When they were grown they found that they were of a istorict family they decided to build a city. They were on different hills and the one that saw the most birds was to build the city. Rimeulas saw six but Romilas saw twelve so he built the city and named it Rome after himself after he had his city started he built a wall around his city after it was completed his brother laughed at it and jumped over it this made Romilas very mad so he killed his brother."

The above is a verbatim et literatim

copy of one of the recent tests in Roman history. Not only is the orthography a thing of interest, but the punctuation and the history are decidedly "modern." How a boy or girl can get through as many grades of public school work as did the writer of the above and have no more training in composition, especaly when really of bright mind, as the writer is, is matter of wonder to the average man. Seriously, very seriously, is English composition neglected in most of our schools.

CLASS OF '07.

Increased? Yes!!

What has been more interesting than the sight of our class officers hustling around to find seats for us all in chapel?

As this is the last term of the year, we should all strive to get more out of our work than in either of the preceding terms, so that when we go to our homes in June we may take something with us that will be a credit to Marshall.

It is a source of much gratification to know that many of our class are almost regular in their work and intend to complete the entire course.

MASHALL COLLEGE ALUMNI.

The Alumni of Marshall College, State Normal School at Huntington, West Virginia, will form an alumni association in the University. Though such a move has often been talked among the representatives of various

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This report was left out of the March issue by an oversight.

General Works	235
Philosophy	28
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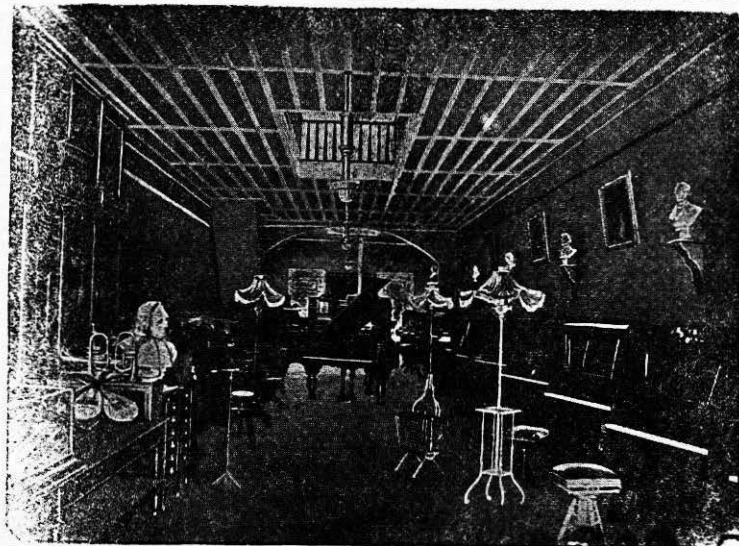
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